

from appeal, if required, is respectfully requested. Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace indicated paragraphs of the specification with replacement paragraphs presented below. Appendix II is attached hereto having marked versions of said indicated paragraphs with amendments indicated by brackets and underlining.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 1-25, without prejudice and substitute for corresponding pending claims the claims as shown rewritten below with amendments effected therein. Appendix I is attached hereto having marked versions of said claims with amendments indicated by brackets and underlining.

26. (Amended) A rotor magnet comprising:

a substantially doughnut shaped molded body of a mixture of magnetic powder of SmFeN and a resin binder, said molded body having at least one North

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pole and at least one South pole at alternating positions along a circumference of the molded body; and

a phosphate coating entirely covering an outside surface of the molded body.

27. (Amended) The rotor magnet according to claim 26, wherein said phosphate coating is a paint which includes an aluminum phosphate.

Please add the following claim.

28. (Newly Added) A motor comprising:

a stator; and

a rotor magnet, said rotor magnet having:

a substantially doughnut shaped molded body of a mixture of magnetic powder of SmFeN and a resin binder, said molded body having at least one North pole and at least one South pole at alternating positions along a circumference of the molded body;

and

a phosphate coating entirely covering an outside surface of the molded body.